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**Applicant(s):** Broussard et al.

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**Title:** ARTICLE DISPENSING AND COUNTING METHOD AND DEVICE

**Art Unit:** 3651

**Examiner:** Knoi H. Tran

**Docket No.:** DB000974-001

**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

**To:** Mail Stop Amendment  
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- a Response and Amendment.

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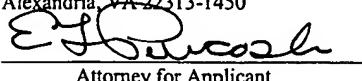
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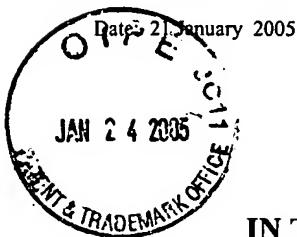
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**RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT**

In response to the Office action of 21 December 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification - None.**

The listing of claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.